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**REPORT ON THE  
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In Compliance with 35 § 290 and/or 15 U.S.C. § 1116 you are hereby advised that a court action has been filed in the U.S. District Court Northern District of California on the following  Patents or  Trademarks:

DOCKET NO. CV 08-00877 HRL	DATE FILED 2/8/8	U.S. DISTRICT COURT 280 South First Street, Rm 2112, San Jose, CA 95113
PLAINTIFF ACER, INC., ET AL.		DEFENDANT TECHNOLOGY PROPERTIES LIMITED, ET AL.
PATENT OR TRADEMARK NO.	DATE OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK	HOLDER OF PATENT OR TRADEMARK
1 5,809,336		SEE ATTACHED COMPLAINT
2 5,784,584		
3 5,440,749		
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In the above—entitled case, the following patent(s) have been included:

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In the above—entitled case, the following decision has been rendered or judgement issued:

DECISION/JUDGEMENT
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12 GATEWAY, INC.

13 ACER, INC.,  
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15 GATEWAY, INC.,

16 Plaintiffs,

17 v.

18 TECHNOLOGY PROPERTIES LIMITED,  
PATRIOT SCIENTIFIC CORPORATION,  
19 and ALLIACENSE LIMITED,

20 Defendants.

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Clerk, U.S. District Court,  
Northern District of California  
San Jose

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10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
11 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA  
12 SAN JOSE DIVISION  
13 C08 00877 HRL  
14 COMPLAINT FOR DECLARATORY  
15 JUDGMENT

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1 Plaintiffs Acer, Inc. ("Acer"), Acer America Corporation ("Acer America") and  
2 Gateway, Inc. ("Gateway") (collectively "Plaintiffs"), by and through their attorneys, allege as  
3 follows:

4 1. This is a civil action arising under the Patent Laws of the United States, 35  
5 U.S.C. §§101, et seq., seeking a declaratory judgment that no valid and enforceable claim of  
6 United States Patent Numbers 5,809,336 ("336 patent"); 5,784,584 ("584 patent"); and  
7 5,440,749 ("749 patent") (collectively the "patents-in-suit") are infringed by Plaintiffs.

8 **PARTIES**

9 2. Plaintiff Acer is a Taiwan corporation with its principal place of business  
10 in Taipei, Taiwan, R.O.C.

11 3. Plaintiff Acer America is a California corporation with its principal place  
12 of business in San Jose, California.

13 4. Plaintiff Gateway is a Delaware corporation with its principal place of  
14 business in Irvine, California. Gateway is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Acer.

15 5. Defendant Technology Properties Ltd. ("TPL") is, on information and  
16 belief, a California corporation with its principal place of business in Cupertino, California. On  
17 information and belief, TPL is a co-owner of the patents-in-suit.

18 6. Defendant Patriot Scientific Corporation ("Patriot") is, on information and  
19 belief, incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware and maintains its principal place of  
20 business in Carlsbad, California. On information and belief, Patriot is a co-owner of the patents-  
21 in-suit.

22 7. Defendant Alliacense Ltd. ("Alliacense") is, on information and belief, a  
23 California corporation with its principal place of business in Cupertino, California. On  
24 information and belief, Alliacense is responsible for negotiating possible licenses to the patents-  
25 in-suit with third parties, on behalf of TPL.

26 **JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

27 8. The Plaintiffs file this complaint against TPL, Patriot and Alliacense  
28 (collectively "Defendants") pursuant to the patent laws of the United States, Title 35 of the

United States Code, with a specific remedy sought based upon the laws authorizing actions for declaratory judgment in the federal courts of the United States, 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202.

9. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction over this action, which arises under the patent laws of the United States, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1338(a), and 2201.

10. Venue in this District is proper under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b) and (c) and 1400(b) because, on information and belief, Defendants are corporations subject to personal jurisdiction in this District and, on information and belief, TPL and Alliacense maintain their principal places of business in this District.

### **INTRADISTRICT ASSIGNMENT**

11. This action is properly filed in the San Jose Division of the Northern District of California because Defendants reside, or do business, in this district.

## **EXISTENCE OF AN ACTUAL CONTROVERSY**

12. There is an actual controversy within the jurisdiction of this Court under 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202.

13. Beginning in or about 2006, and continuing thereafter, Alliacense has repeatedly demanded that Plaintiffs enter into a royalty-bearing license for the patents-in-suit. Alliacense has claimed that certain products of Plaintiffs are infringed by one or more claims of the patents-in-suit, and has told Plaintiffs that if they do not take a license to the patents-in-suit, Plaintiffs may be subject to substantial liabilities. Alliacense's allegations have included claim charts purporting to describe how certain products of Plaintiffs allegedly infringe one or more claims of the patents-in-suit.

14. Alliacense and Plaintiffs met numerous times during the past fourteen months to discuss a possible license, with the most recent meeting having taken place on January 20, 2008. Throughout this period, Alliacense consistently threatened Plaintiffs and demanded that they take a license to the patents-in-suit. For example, during the January 20, 2008 meeting, the Senior Vice President of Licensing for Alliacense, Mr. Mark Davis, told representatives of Plaintiffs that they would be risking a patent infringement lawsuit if Plaintiffs failed to enter into a licensing agreement.

15. Although Plaintiffs and Alliacense have repeatedly discussed the possibility of a license to the patents-in-suit, the parties have been unable to reach any agreement. On February 6, 2008, Mr. Davis sent Plaintiffs an email expressing frustration at the status of the negotiations and the parties' inability to work out an agreement. Mr. Davis concluded his e-mail by inquiring "if Acer still has an interest in resolving this matter outside of the court and if so, how [it] would like to proceed."

16. Based upon the above facts, there is an actual and justiciable controversy within the jurisdiction of this Court under 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201 and 2202.

## FIRST CLAIM

## **DECLARATORY JUDGMENTS REGARDING THE '336 PATENT**

17. The Plaintiffs hereby restate and reallege the allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 16 and incorporate them by reference.

18. No valid and enforceable claim of the '336 patent is infringed by the Plaintiffs.

## SECOND CLAIM

## DECLARATORY JUDGMENT REGARDING THE '584 PATENT

19. The Plaintiffs hereby restate and reallege the allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 16 and incorporate them by reference.

20. No valid and enforceable claim of the '584 patent is infringed by the Plaintiffs.

### THIRD CLAIM

**DECLARATORY JUDGMENT REGARDING THE '749 PATENT**

21. The Plaintiffs hereby restate and reallege the allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 16 and incorporate them by reference.

22. No valid and enforceable claim of the '749 patent is infringed by the

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## PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiffs pray for judgment as follows:

1. Declaring that no valid and enforceable claim of the patents-in-suit is infringed by the Plaintiffs;

2. Declaring that defendants and each of their officers, employees, agents, alter egos, attorneys, and any persons in active concert or participation with them be restrained and enjoined from further prosecuting or instituting any action against the Plaintiffs claiming that the patents-in-suit are valid, enforceable, or infringed, or from representing that the products or services of the Plaintiffs infringe the patents-in-suit;

3. A judgment declaring this case exceptional under 35 U.S.C. § 285 and awarding the Plaintiffs their attorneys' fees and costs in connection with this case;

4. Awarding the Plaintiffs such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Dated: February 8, 2008

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